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SUBJ: TARA PROJECT--FARLEY WINSON

FOR AF/W BISHOP AND AID AFR/CWR

REF: HECK-BISHOP CORRESPONDENCE ON TARA PROJECT, NIGER

1. FARLEY WINSON'S DREAM PROJECT HAS FALLEN APART AS A RESULT OF GON DECISION TO BRING TARA FARM UNDER GOVERNMENT CONTROL. HE HAS ACCORDINGLY DECIDED TO LEAVE NIGER WITH HIS FAMILY AND SETTLE ELSEWHERE POSSIBLY IN BELIZE, HONDURAS WHERE HE HAS SOME PROPERTY. THIS LEAVES LILLY FOUNDATION AND OTHER CONTRIBUTORS TO PROJECT OUT IN LEFT FIELD AND UNDERSTANDABLY CONCERNED.

2. DEAN FREUDENBZIGER OF UNITED METHODIST MISSION, OUT HERE AS TROUBLE SHOOTER ON BEHALF OF LILLY FOUNDATION, HAS JUST COMPLETED SURVEY OF SITUATION AND HAS SUBMITTED FULL REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO CHARLES WILLIAMS OF LILLY FOUNDATION IN INDIANA. WE HAVE NOT SEEN THE REPORT BUT WE UNDERSTAND IT URGES LILLY FOUNDATION: 1) NOT TO OVERREACT TO LATEST DEVELOPMENT; 2) TO ACCEPT GON ENTRY INTO PICTURE WHICH ACTUALLY IS LOGICAL DEVELOPMENT IF TARA PROJECT IS TO FIT INTO NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STATAGY; AND 3) BECAUSE OF LONG-RANGE POTENTIAL OF TARA PROJECT TO ENTER INTO CORRESPONDENCE WITH GON TO LEARN WHAT ROLE LILLY FOUNDATION MIGHT PLAY IN TARA'S TRANSITION FROM  
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PRIVATE TO PUBLIC PROJECT. IN LONG RUN FREUDENBERGER

FEELS LILLY FOUNDATION SHOULD SWITCH FROM SUPPORT OF  
SUCH PROJECTS TO ESTABLISHMENT OF FUND TO PROVIDE  
NIGERIENS WITH TRAINING FOR NATIONAL LEADERSHIP.

3. IN TELCON EARLIER THIS WEEK WITH CHARLES WILLIAMS,  
HE SAID HE WAS CONSIDERING VISITING NIGER. SHOULD HE  
CALL DEPARTMENT RECOMMEND YOU URGE THAT HE NOT RPT NOT  
CONSIDER A VISIT HERE UNTIL HE HAS DIGESTED FREUDENBEBER  
REPORT. FHI VISIT AT THIS TIME WOULD SERVE NO USEFUL  
PURPOSE AND WOULD PROBABLY IRRITATE GON OFFICIALS.  
END FYI. IF YOU RECEIVE INQUIRIES FROM OTHER SOURCES  
REGARDING STATUS OF PROJECT RECOMMEND YOU TAKE LINE  
THAT GON HAS DECIDED BRING PROJECT UNDER ITS WING WHICH  
IS NORMAL DEVELOPMENT AND ANY INQUIRIES REGARDING PROJECT  
SHOULD HENCEFORTH BE ADDRESSED TO GON MINISTER OF RURAL  
ECONOMY WHICH HAS ASSUMED RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT.HECK

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